

### Carter, Schmidt confer on detente

WASHINGTON, July 13 (R). - President Carter and West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt conferred for an bour at the White House today on ways to improve East-West relations. Presidential spokesman Jody Powell said Mr. Carter stressed that the United States wanted a balanced approach to the conference in Belgrade this antumn to review the Helsinki accord. Concerning the debate over Soviet compliance with the human rights provisions in the accord, Mr. Carter said there was "no desire on our part to single out any aspect of the agree-ment or any nation." The meeting covered a broad range of topics including trade, the Middle East and nuclear proliferation, Mr. Powell told reporters.

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### Tass blasts Carter over neutron

MOSCOW, July 13 (R). — Tass news agency said today President Carter's statement that he favoured the development of the neutron bomb opened a new round in the arms race. Tass said the White House "remains on its former inconstructive position" over the question of disarmament. This was reflected in President Carter's assertion that American proposals for a second stage strategic arms limitation (SALT) agreement were "fair and reasonabla", the agency said. "The development by the United States of new weapons systems means in fact the opening of a new round in the wasteful and extremely dangerous arms race and far from facilitating SALT-II negotiations, it creates... new and rather serious complications for them," it said.

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### JPEC meet ends with hint of small Oİ price rise in 1978

standard Middle East crude.

reflect the majority feeling

when he said today it was too

early to speak in detail about 1978 prices.

Mane' Sa'id Al 'Uteiba, told re-

porters he thought prices were likely to be increased at the

Iranian chief delegate Jam-

shid Amouzegar told Reuters

that his country's stand on

next meeting.

But be said be thought the

price split in OPEC.

CKHOLM, July 13 (R). ---13 OPEC oil ministers endmeeting here today with that a small rise in the in the of oil might be in the for next year.

The meeting here was a rou-e session for the ministers the Organisation of Petrom Exporting Countries, not ended to fix the 1978 oil pri-

But it did fix a date and " La Snezuela -- for an OPEC ses-A Langueta -- for an OPEC ses-is a n to do just that. And some the full disters also gave reporters where the hints on how they were ( is an inking. Nobody came out in support source Saudi Oil Minister Ahmad ki Yamani, who said he hop-

ministers would discuss a small adjustment to prices when they meet again in Caracas. The oil minister of the Uni-ted Arab Emirates (UAE), Mr.

guarssyrian official says Bierryonly political accord will end fighting in south Lebanon

IRUT, July 13 (R). — Syria's nister of Information, Mr. mad Iskander Ahmad, was on world economic conditions. Nothing would be done to harm Western economies, he said, adding that a small decline in West German econo-"""" " uth Lebanon depended on mic growth was an indication litical agreement being reaof sluggish economic conditions in the industrialised states,

in an interview with the we-asseri (Nasserite Position).

oppose talks of a freeze. "" "blished by a pro-Syrian Nasite organisation, Mr. Ahmad -and id is

also said that after reviewing the question of relative values of OPEC crudes, "it was agreed that an interim ministerial sub-Resolving the question of a south depends on a solution the polltical problem in Beicommittee would meet in or-

. Those who evade an apder to discuss this issue furopriate formula in Belrut are ther and to reach a solution Distribution of the bloodshed thereof."

ed the price of oil would stay throughout 1978 at the present level of \$12.70 for a barrel of And Sheikh Yamani stressed that he did not want another "We do not plan to repeat it," he said, of a two-tier open price struggle that existed in the first six months of this Algeria's new Oil Minister, enthusiastic onlookers as his cavalcade makes its way through Sid Ahmad Ghozali, seemed to

His Majesty King Hussein wave Karak Wednesday. (JNA photo).

## King Hussein opens college as Karak celebrates silver jubilee

AMMAN (JNA). — His Majesty King Hussein opened Martyr Faisal II College at Mo'ta when he visited Karak Governorate for his silver jubilee celebrations Wednesday,

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whether to support an oil pri-ce freeze in 1978 would depend The college, built near the village of Mo'ta, site of a famous battle between the Arab Moslems and Byzantine troops, is considered the biggest industrial institute in Jordan. It graduates students specialised in technology and sciences,

The only firm call for a pri-The JD 6 million college will ce increase came from Libyan be developed to become a uni-Oil Minister Ezzeddin Mahrouk versity. who said his country would

After the King unveiled the The conference statement

King Hussein, accompanied by Prime Minister Mudar Badran, Chief of the Royal Court Sbarif Abdul Hamid Sbaraf, Court Minister Amer Khammash and other officials, visit-Tayyar, who fell at the battle of Mo'ta.

helicopter at a spot 10 kms. from Karak. He was welcomed by the governor of Karak and

Sadat: We can normalise relations

top officials of the governorate. He then drove in a motor cavalcade along a road bedecked with triumphal arches and

flags. Several times the King dis mounted to sbake hands with tribal sheikhs, who had erected large pavilions along the route. Arriving at Karak an hour later, King Hussein's cavalcade toured the decorated town. Thousands of people lined the

streets. The King visited Karak's tourist resthouse and met with the mayor and members of Karak municipal council before driving to Mo'ta to open Martyr Faisal II College,

Palestinian legitimate rights,"

Mr. Arafat also discussed

The two congressmen to me-

et Mr. Arafat at their own

initiative. They had tried to

Mr. Arafat arrived here yes

with Egyptian officials follow-

ypt last weekend. He confer-

with President Sadat to-

with the congressmen the U.S. positioo on Middle East prob-

the sources said.

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# Begin gets mandate from cabinet for Washington visit, M.E. peace plan

source as saying the plan wo-uld surprise Mr. Carter becau-

se of the possibilities it ope-

Despite the close secrecy su-

rrounding the plan, Israeli Ra-dio said it had learned the do-

cument contained these elem-

-- Israel would be prepared

-- Israel wisbes to sign pea-

ce agreements with each Arah

country and is prepared to withdraw parts of the occupied

Sinai and the Golan Heights

as part of a peace agreement. - Israel wants an early res-

umption of the Geneva peace

talks but is also prepared for

direct talks with each or all

of the Arab states within an-

The radio also said the pro-

posal did not include any maps

Government officials declin-

ed to comment on the Israeli

Radio report, stressing the go-

vernment's decision to prevent

Israeli newspapers also pub-

lished outlines of the propo-sed plan and said Mr. Begin

appeared to be less flexible on

the question of the occupied West Bank than on other parts

Mr. Begin described the press

of the occupied territories.

leaks.

Bank and Jerusalem;

ned for peace negotiations.

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM, July 13 (R). — Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin today briefed his cabinet on a Middle East peace plan which he will put before President Carter in Washington next week. Mr. Begin said after the three-hour session : "I have reents : ceived a full and unanimous mandate for the cabinet to profor negotiations "without any prior conditions," including the future of the occupied West pose our plan to President Carter."

But he said no details of the proposals would be published before the Washington meeting.

He dismissed as inaccurate Israeli press reports that the government was prepared for an almost total withdrawal from the Sinai and was willing to make considerable concessions on the Golan Heights in the context of a full peace agreement.

But the newspapers said Mr. Begin's plan appeared less fleother framework, at a different place and at a different time. xible on the question of the occupied West Bank, of possible borders.

The papers speculated that the government might agree to some Jordanian voice in the affairs of the West Bank Arabs. But Mr. Begin would insist on the right to establish Jewish settlements and to retain military control over the region,

the newspaper reports added. Observers here said Mr. Be-gin would insist that Israel is prepared to go to Geneva for renewed Middle East talks on Oct. 10 or thereafter.

However, if the Geneva con-ference failed to materialise reports as incomplete and inabecause of Isra ili objections to

ment for Change. In its evening newscasts, Is-raeli Radio said no stress was laid on the nature of the proposed peace as Mr. Begin is opposed to eny discussion on this point, claiming that the meaning is clearly defined in international law.

> No defined border with Jordan

It quotes the plan as saying that Israel will not withdraw to the pre-1967 borders with Jordan because under international law; Israel never had a defined eastern border with Jordan hut only with Egypt and Syria.

The pre-1967 lines on all fronts except Lehanon were defined in the 1949 armistice agrcements as temporary armistice lines, pending peace agreements,

The Lebanese border is the old pre-1948 international frontier.

Mr. Begin told newsmen his proposals were drawn up by a committee of three including himself and foreign minister Moshe Dayan and Defence Minister Ezer Weizmann,

Breaking the normal secu-rity which surrounds advance information on the movement of Israeli leaders, Mr. Begin told Israeli Radio : "I shall be leaving nn Friday and, please God, will return on July 25."

Mr. Begin called on former Prime Minister Golda Meir et her Tel Aviv residence this

ed the tomb of martyr Ja'far Al King Hussein landed in his

commemorative plaque at the college, a sports festival was held. Hundreds of scouts, girl guides, students, workers and nurses passed in front of the roval dais. Students also paraded in the college courtyard.

#### the south."

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Mr. Iskander accused Israel baving expansionist designs south Lebanon.

> "Zionist designs are not conied to south Lebanon," he id, "but south Lebanon is the rget at this stage because of 'e weakness there."

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'e a good deal of tears more 12: "Stan those left by the October 973) war," Mr. Iskander ad-

**U.S., Britain helped** S. Africa build \$3b arsenal, expert says

S'ASHINGTON, July 13 (R). ts were directly involved, he • Major Western countries, olating a United Nations said. "Surprisingly, Great Britain,

the United States and Italy ap? nbargo, have helped South - nbargo, pear to have been responsible for the bulk of military sales to South Africa," he said. senal of sophisticated weams, an American researcher Mr. Gervasi said the statisill tell Congress tomorrow. tics provided by the Interna-

South Africa's main arms su-bliers have been Britain, the nited States and Italy accoring to Sean Gervasi, an inspendent research associate

A draft of his testimony to House of Representatives In-mational Relations Subcomplittee was made available to euters today.

The testimony said new da-\* obtained from industrial and overament sources showed hat South Africa's arms stokpile was worth more than +3 billion and far exceeded all base by the respected Londonased International Institute or Strategic Studies.

Mr. Gervasi says the arms is bliveries to South Africa took sace during the past decade poroved in 1963. Some dellveries were continuing, he said. The most important arms icals, which were shrouded in secrecy, were known to the Western governments and insome instances the governmen- stern aircraft and armour."

the ministers, but conference sources said they were those from Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Saudi

Arabia and Venezuela. producers of heavy crude oils whose pollution producing properties have made them less attractive Sheikh Yamani said today he

thought the prices of such oils should be lowered to make them more competitive. The conference passed reso-

lutions which will be published on Aug. 13, 1977 after ratification by member countries.

tional Instituta for Strategic Studies underestimated South

Africa's strength in military

ve failed altogether to heed the

call made by the United Na-

to self-propelled guns. This gave South Africa an

awesome military capability it

could use against its weaker

"This raises the prospect that South Africa may adopt

the Rhodesian formula as the

liberation struggle against ap-artheid intensifies," he said,

"and independent African na-

tions may well expect heavy

long-range raids into their ter-

ritory, raids mounted with We-

'The new data show that

equipment.

to

said.

CAIRO, July 13 (R). - Presi-

dent Anwar Sadat said today his country could normalise relations with Israel five years after both sides implement a peace agreement.

Speaking to a U.S. congressional group led by Mr. Lee Hamilton (Democrat, Indiana), President Sadat said : "normalisation of relations falls within the context of the sovereignty of any state.

"After we sign a peace agreement and end the state of war we must be given some time to normalise our relations.

The official Middle East News Agency, (MENA) which carried a text of Mr. Sadat's question-and-answer dialogue with the congressmen, quoted the president as saying : "After four wars over the past 24 years governed by hatred and violence during which we lost confidence in each other, we cannot begin opening our borders and establishing economic and diplomatic relations.

"I would give it five years after setting up a new atmosphere. Everything will then tu-m to normal," MENA quoted Mr. Sadat as saying.

the major Western powers ha-He said Egypt would not implement the articles of any tions' Security Council in 1963," he said. "The shipment peace agreement with Israel until the last Israeli soldier had of arms and military equipleft the occupied Arab lands. ment from Western countries "Ending the state of war will be the first article in any South Africa has been going on secretly for years." He said the arms delivered peace agreement we may reach at a Geneva conference," Pre-South Africa ranged from sident Sadat said.

sophisticated tanks and radar "We will only agree to end the state of war, but it will not go into effect the last Israeli soldier has left ... otherwise it will he an official inviblack African neighbours, be tation for Israel to continue its occupation of Arah lands,"

Mr. Sadat added. He said Israeli withdrawal might take three or six months, "and not more as the Israelis are dreaming."

President Sadat also urged the United States to start a dialogue with the Palestine Liberation Organisation "which

with Israel 5 years after accord

will make things easy for all of us."

He said the point was raised with President Carter during his last visit to the United Sta-

"I have made it clear that the Palestinians were completely ignored .... Israel has the land and the recognition of the two super-powers in addition to 140 other countries while the Palestinians were even denied their human rights," President Sadat said.

Informed sources said that following their meeting with President Sadat, two congressmen met PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat.

Mr. Arafat told the congre-

### **Owen: U.K., EEC will** help in Mideast peace

LONDON, July 13 (R). - British Foreign Secretary David Owen today relterated that relterated that Britain and its Common Market partners would play any part they could in achieving a Middle East peace settlement.

"What will be needed over the next few months is patience, commitment and determinatinn," he said in his speech prepared for delivery at the opening of the Arab-British Centre fnr Advancing Friendship and Understanding here. Dr. Owen added : "The time for statements is now over. The next few months must be a time for serious negotiations. The outlook if we fail to achieve peace in the Middle East can rarely have been so serious. There is no single issue in the world at present which is so crucial."

Dr. Owen said the growing interdependence of the nine nation Economic Community and the Arab World underlined the important political interests they had in commoo -- above all in a just and las-

He recalled that a statement issued by the Common Market the power."

participation by representatives of the Palestine Liberation Organisation, Mr. Begin believes a deadlock could be avoissmen the Palestinians want ded, the observers said. 'full American recognition of

#### **Bilateral** negotiations

They said that as an alternative he would suggest hilateral negotiations with Syria, Egypt and Jordan under the joint sponsorship of the United States and the Soviet Uni-

arrange an earlier meeting in Israeli Radio said the writ-Damascus, but that fell throten document to be taken to Washington by the prime minister was entitled "Framework terday for three days, of talks of an Israeli Plan to Foster the Peace Process." ing King Hussein's visit to Eg-

Mr. Begin said no details of the plan would be released because President Carter "is entitled to be the first to learn of it. We will publish our ideas after my meeting with the president."

The radio quoted a political

afternoon. He declined to tell The press was briefed after journalists what they had dis-cussed, saying : "I visited Mrs. today's cabinet meeting by Mr. Arye Naor, the new governme-Meir because she is an elder nt secretary. stateswoman -- a former prime Mr. Naor, a former official minister and foreign minister.

of Israeli Radio, said no vote "Having high respects for Mrs. Meir, it is quite natural had been takeo on the propo-sals as all ministers had been that I visited her before leavunanimously in favour of the ing for the U.S." policy detailed by Mr. Begin. Mr. Begin informed the cabmeeting of Israeli newspaper inet of his appointment of Mr. editors that Israel played an important part in the global defence of the United States Shmuel Katz to serve as his special adviser on Israel's public relations abroad.

A cabinet communique said Finance Minister Simcha Erlich will serve as acting prime minister during Mr. Begin's absence

It noted that he would also take charge of the justice, so-cial welfare, labour and transport and communications portfolios held by Mr. Begin pending the completion nf coalitinn negotiatinns between Likud and the Democratic Move-

"everything is granted us on a basis of reciprocity, and I shall point out the role played by Israel in my talks with Pre-sident Carter," be said. The prime minister said he regarded his forthcoming visit to the U.S. as very important but denied that it was "fateful" as had been suggested.

Mr. Begin told a luncheon

'The fate of Israel does not depend on this nr that meeting, however important they are,' be said.

Suarez candidate fails to muster absolute majority as free Spanish parliament meets for first time in 40 years

MADRID, July 13 (R). - Spain's mic problems after a 20 per first democratically elected pa- cent devaluation of the peseta rliament in 40 years assembled for the first time today and the ruling coalltion suffered an immediate setback.

The centre-right Democratic Centre Union (UCD) led by Prime Minister Adolfo Suarez failed to muster an absolute majurity in the election of the party's candidate, Senor Fernando Alvarez Miranda, as president of the Congress, or lower house, of the Cortes.

In a second vote requiring only a simple majority, Senor Alvarez Miranda, a Christian Democratic lawyer, edged out Socialist candidate Luis Gomez Llorente hy 169 votes to 139. The UNCD fell six votes short of the absolute majority required for the passage of bills in the new parliament which is to rewrite the constitution and tackle Spain's serious econo-

yesterday.

Looking worried, Senor Suarez, who led his coalition of Christian Democrats, Liberals and Social Democrats to victory in general elections last month, huddled with his aides after the first vote.

UCD Senator Antonio Fontan Perez was voted president of the upper house, the Senate. Today's session was prepared for the formal opening of parliament by King Juan Carlos on July 22.

Outside parliament, about 100 women demonstrating for the legalisatinn of abortion, hirth control and divorce harangued deputies as they arrived. Police later asked the demonstrators to disperse.

The demonstration showed the pressures on parliament from many fronts to overhaul the authoritarian system left ieans.

hy Gen. Franco's 40 years of rule. The black-garbed Communist Party president, Senora Dolo-

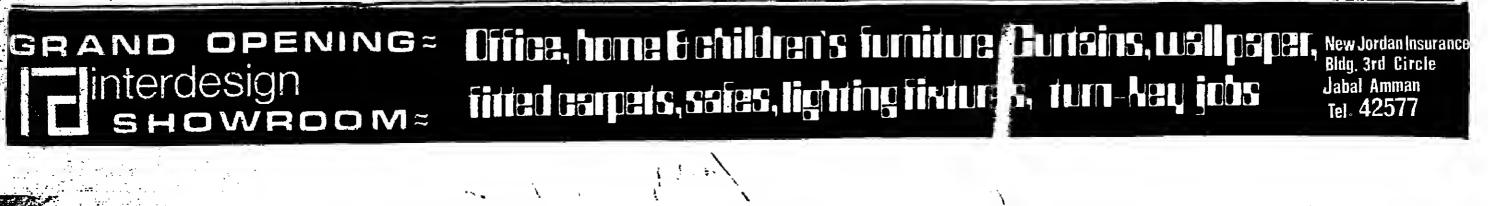
res Ibarruri, shuffled up to Senor Suarez to wish him luck. "We'll need it," the premier replied.

A hush fell on the house as Senora Ibarruri, 81, whn won fame as "La Pasionaria" (Passion Flower) for her anti-Franco oratory during the 1936-39 clvil war, took her seat.

She was escorted to her seat by another communist, poet Rafael Alberti, 74. Both returned from exile on-

ly a few months ago and, as the oldest of the deputies, became acting vice presidents pending the election of the new board.

Communist deputy Pilar Brabo, a 32-year-old blonde, raised eyebrows by sauntering into parliament wearing denim



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ting Middle East peace.

summit meeting here on June 29 had made clear that the community nations were not only deeply concerned about the need for a peaceful settle-ment but "will play any part

### we can in achieving it. "Balfour declaration

in reverse"

The Common Market leaders' support for a Palestinian homeland was likened in Parliament here today to a 'Balfour Declaration in reverse."

Mr. Hugh Fraser, a Conservative apposition backbencher, made the comment in a question to Foreign Secretary David Owen, calling for the EEC summit statement to be reconsidered.

Dr. Owen told him the June statement by the nine leaders was balanced and be disagreed with Mr. Fraser's view that it had heightened tensions in the Mlddle East.

Mr. Fraser described the European leaders' support for a Palestinian homeland as "a sort of Balfour Declaration in reverse, without the strength or

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## Extremist Moslem sect calls for return to golden days of Islam

the prophet himself.

time as they can impose their

It was for this reason that

many members emigrated to

Yemen where they believe that

the right conditions exist to

enable them to undergo physi-

cal and religious training in preparation for the creation of

the Moslem society they be-

overthrow the government of

with his group's activities, but

was pardoned hy President

Anwar Sadat in 1971, along

with other political detainees.

lieve in.

will on the whole society.

#### By Assem Hassan

CAIRO, July 13 (R). - An extremist Moslem sect which kidnapped and murdered a former Egyptian cabinet minister in early June has as its aim the revival of Moslem so-

ciety as it existed 14 centuries Their dream has haunted Moslem fanatics in various parts of the Islamic World throughout those centuries, but attempts to translate it into practice have invariably led the bloodshed and the annihilation of the fanatics. Dr. Mohammad Hussein Zah-

abi, former Minister of Religious Endowments (Awkaf), was kidnapped and killed by the sect calling itself the Moslem Society but labelled hy the press and government the Takfir Wal Hijira (Society for Repentance and Flight from Sin).

The sect believes that existing Moslem societies are heretic and do not comply with the laws of Islam as existed in the days of the prophet Mohammad and the first caliphs (Islamic rulers) who followed

Although Moslem religious the ruler possesses both religious and secular powers, is part of Islam or not, the Takfir Wal Hijira group believes that in the absence of a caliph a Moslem society is heretical.

Very little about the group's This was made public only ideology is known, except that they regard trade as the during the latest police crackdown on the group. only lawful profession since it was practised at one stage by

Sociologists say Egyptian youths were disillusioned because of the unexpected and, They also believe they sbould dissociate themselves also believe they in the light of state propa-ganda, unbelieveable defeat of from the society until such 1967.

> The youths sought refuge either in religion or by seeking other ideologies, sociologists say.

A number of extreme communist groups were formed after the defeat. Some were blamed for last January's food riots in Egypt in protest against price increases.

Members of aoother Moslem extremist group were arrested in 1974 following an attack on Calro's Technical Military Academy in which 11 people were killed and 27 other injured. The leader of that group, Saleh Abdullah Saryia, and ooe of his lieutenants, Karem Anadoli, were hanged later.

Calls for the application of Islamic tenets do not come onfrom extremists. Under the gyptian constitution, Islam is basic source for legislation, and there have been attempts in parliament to make Islam the sole source.

In a country like Egypt, where about 90 per cent of the population is Moslem and where illiteracy is as high as 70 per cent, calls for a return to what are described as the gulden days of Islam do have

an appeal. In the case of the Mustapha group the membership was limited and confined to secondary school and university students and young workers

### China's offer for Dalai Lama's return is aimed at America

From 1911 till 1950 Tibet was independent. But its status was never defined and soon after the Communist revolution Chinese troops occupied the country and the Dalai Lama and many of his followers fied. Since then they have campaigned all over the world -- there are 100,000 of them -- for the withdrawal of the Chinese. Recently, China offered to let the Dalai Lama return. But, members of the Dalai's staff say that this is propaganda aimed at the new government in India and at the United States.

By A. J. Singh But this is strongly refuted hy the Dalai's administration. DHARMSALA, India (Gem-Tempa Tsering, a Tibetan official said: "Such guesses conini) - Tibetan exiles are intrigued at world reaction to tinue to be made by China Peking's recent offer to let the watchers, sitting in Hong Kong Dalal Lama return to Tibet. with their telescopes fixed on They are asking: Is a dialogue going on between the god-Peking. The most amusing

a hand in circulating such stories. Obviously, they want to divert world attention by posing as if they want to take the Dalai Lama back,"

China continues to puzzle Tibetologists by its multi-faced reactions to the Dalai Lama at different times. In September, 1975, when Hua Kuo-feng. the Chinese, leader (then the deputy prime minister) visited Tibet, he referred to the Dalai Lama as a "traitor".

After some time this language gave way to a softer line. The Chinese have been calling him a "traitor" and later ask-

### Third Circle Phantasmic By Omar Jawad Arabian splendour.....

ed their latest offer now? First, according to Tibetans it

is intended more for Americans

than for the Tibetans. The

Tibetan lobby in the United

States has launched a systema-

tic campaign to press for the

restoration of human rights

in Tibet. And it is to undercut

their pressure on President Carter's administration that

this move has been staged.

Second, it is aimed at the

newly installed Janata Party

government in India. The Dalai

Lama's presence probably hin-

ders Chinese plans for better

relations with it. This argu-ment does have some weight.

I went out to the airport recently to greet an arriving friend, and during my hour's wait there I strolled around the place and carefully observed how it worked, or didn't work. I found the airport to be such a mess that I was stunned at first. But after a while, I realised that the airport functions so chaotically that it must have been planned that way. What with Jordanian efficiency and Amman's efforts to become a hig husiness centre in the Middle East, I figured that such a mess could only be the result of a deliberate decision. In fact, I have uncovered some highly secret documents that I would like to share with my readers because they make the trip through the airport altagether more comprehensible and bearable.

The documents in question are part of a proposal and technical feasibility study that was prepared for the Transport Ministry several years ago, but the project was never fully implemented. What has happened, apparently, is that some parts of the project were indeed implemented during the expansion of the airport, and the result is the mess we have today.

The project in question (it's very sensitive. so don't show this copy of the newspaper to anyone outside Jordan) was a plan to make the airport a combination airport-amusement park.

The reason it takes so long to get your baggage from the airplane when you land at Amman these days is that the baggage people are all standing around trying to guess the length of the airplane. You see, whoever guesses the correct length of the plane in metres gets a free ticket to Rome. It's part of the plan to offer the baggage handlers some amusement while they do their work, and some incentives as well

To keep the waiting passengers amused, the airport has installed two conveyor belts that are ostensibly used to carry one's baggage from the airplane. Actually, their real purpose is to keep the waiting passengers guessing about what the hell is the real purpose of the two fancy conveyor belts, and thus to give the passengers something to do while they're waiting far their baggage.

The man who is supposed to check health certificates at the door is really there as part of a psychological experiment being carried out by the Arab League. The experiment aims to see how often Arah travellers will avoid, ignore, knock over, insult, lie to, profane ar simply walk right past the man who is supposed to check health certificates. The two other peo-ple who are always standing next to the

with New Delhi have brought Chinese offers to expatriates to return.

But between these two swings, the most intriguing thing is that ever since 1959 Radio La-sa has broadcast everything that the Dalai Lama has said or done in India. Of course, the broadcasts have been slanted to meet Chinese needs, but the hope has been beld out to Tibetans in Tibet that the Dalai Lama would return soon.

"If all this is put together, you can see the Chinese designs very clearly," says Namgyal Dorji, another Tibetan official in the Dalai adminis-

tration.

health desk are there to bring the health man coffee and tes.

The idea of parking one's car 200 metres away from the arrivals hall is part of a secret Arab plan to prod the physical development of the Arab citizenry in order to face up to the challenges of the next phase of the hattle with the common enemy. The idea is that if we all had some more physical exercise like carrying sultcases and olive cans, we would all be better off for it. That idea is now being tested

The total absence of an information hourd that tells us what planes have arrived is part of a similar plan to stimulate the intellectual curlosity and problem-solving skills of the entire Arab nation. Part of the airport-amusement park project was that whoever correctly guessed which plane had actually arrival would receive a free prize. The actual arrivals were to be announced in the newspapers at the end of every week.

The greater objective behind the chaos at the airport is really the most interesting, and it is part of Jordan's plans to make Amman a leading business centre in the Middle Esst. What with direct flights from New York to Amman now running weekly, the hope is that a visitor to the Arab World would choose to pass through Amman to get an idea of what the Arab World is really like, in all its mana. gerial splendour. Since the airport is the first place where the foreigner comes into contact with Arab civilisation, it was decided to use the opportunity to give the foreign visitor the full intensity of Arab life. Since the rule in the Middle East is chaos, Amman airport has been chosen as the epitome and the zenith of Arab chaos in action, with the idea that if a foreigner visited Amman airport and survived to tell his children about it, there would be no need for him to go anywhere else in the Arab World.

The thinking behind this is that visitors would get a concentrated dose of Arab civili-sation, which they could take back home as a memory, to ponder the wisdom of doing busi-ness in the Middle East. Since the routine at Amman airport is designed to be an example of the most chaotic thing a person could expect to experience in any Arab country, the trip through the airport would be an ideal litmus test of how hadly a foreigner wanted to do business in the Middle East. The only addition that I have to suggest

to the project is to build a hospital and a pay-chiatric clinic at the sirport to treat those people whose business compais them to use Amman airport more than once a year.

> the Tibetan exiles. Lastly, this offer is meant to side-step and confuse the Dalai Lama's persistent demand for an independent Tibet. "The Dalai Lama has asked many times for a free and impartial plebiscite under the aegis of the United Nations to decide the future of Tiber", says Tem-pa Tsering. "He has never asked for self-rule or an autonomous state' for Tibet within China. Tibet already had that status (though in theory only) when the Dulai Lama came to India in 1959. If we want that only, then there is no point in our struggle."

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Finally, the Chinese usually refer obliquely to the Data Lama as being a lonely, cheer-. less person, who is wasting himself in India and is desperately yearning to return to Tibet.

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### disinterested voice

While the rest of the Western world is finally waking up to the injustice done to the Palestinian people and to the raw deal the Arabs have been getting as a result of the West's blind and unquestioning indulgence of Israel, it is lamentable that a joker should suddenly pop up to demand the restitution of balance to the EEC's position on the Middle East.

Mr. Jeremy Thorpe, former head of Britain's Liberal Party, now acting as his party's foreign affairs spokesman, is of the opinion that the recent statement by the EEC outlining the community's position on a solution for the Arab-Israeli dispute was not balanced. He believes that denouncing the acquisition of territory by force and calling for an end to occupation is a biased position. He is also of the opinion that the EEC's cautious assertion of the need for a Palestinian homeland is biased -- a peculiar form of bias indeed, considering that the Palestinian people have been deprived of the entirety of their homeland through the creation of the state of Israel and its subsequent occupation of what remained of Palestine -- unless one goes along with Mr. Thorpe, who seems to think that is a balanced position after all.

Mr. Thorpe suggests that, in order to balance the new imbalance, in order to be fair, the EEC countries should move their embassies in Israel from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem, thereby recognising Israel's unilateral decision to annex the occupied holy city. That, according to Mr. Thorpe, would be a "balancing act of support" (for Israel).

Clearly, in Mr. Thorpe's dictionary, support for one side to the dispute (Israel) is always an unbiased and fair act, whereas support for the other side is an act of injustice and unabashed partiality.

Aside from pointing out that Mr. Thorpe is himself unbalanced and has a personal bias for blatant nonsense, one notes that be has also turned into a panic-monger. The West cannot allow Israel to perish, he thundered in his speech before the Jewish B'nai B'rith Society. Presumably asking Israel to be fair is going to be a death-blow to Israel.

The only way to save Israel (which incidentally

News about the group, founded about 10 years ago, came to public attention for the first time about four years ago when police noticed that a number of bearded young men were living in caves in the Menia governorate in upper Egypt. At the time members were arrested, including the

to Cairo press reports, attempts were made hy the group to

A group of dissident Mosiems disagreed with the fourth calipb, Ali, the prophet's cousin and son-in-law, and finally

group's leader, Agricultural Engineer Shukri Ahmad Mustapba. Their activities received attention again when, according

President Anwar Sadat in 1975. It was then that Dr. Zahati, who was Religious Endowassassinated him. ments Minister at the time, wrote articles in the press stamen still disagree on whether ting that their thoughts were the caliphate system, where cootrary in the spirit of Islam. Mr. Mustapha was first ar-rested in 1967 in connection

is not threatened at all is to do something hasty of the Arabs, Mr. Thorpe thinks, to take away more of their lands, to recognise the annexation of east Jerusalem which has been inhabited by Arabs for two millenia.

Everything must be done to show that the West is not losing interest in Israel -- a demand from Israel to make the sort of concessions necessary to win acceptance from its neighbours is not the right sort of interest in Mr. Thorpe's mind, for he seems to think that only he knows what is best for Israel.

Mr. Thorpe says that it is the Arabs, and not Israel, who are refusing to negotiate. One wonders where he has been hiding himself, he seems to have lost touch with the outside world.

### ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

thing about these stories is king and Peking? What is the that all speculation about the motive behind the timing of Chinese scene by the most the offer? Has it anything to cocksure Sinologists usually do with the Sino-Indian deturns out to be wrong to their tente? And a host of other embarrassment. Usually nothsuch questions. ing which is conjectured about China happens.

Secret negotiations hetween the Dalai Lama and the Chinese through a third party were first reported in August, 1973. Even now it is widely thought among Sinologists that such parleys are still going on. The latest Chinese offer to the Dalai Lama is said to be the outcome.

"Something like this is exactly the case with the Tibetan question. The Dalai Lama has denied many times in press interviews that a secret

dialogue is going on with the Chinese. This is a fact.

"Perhaps the Chinese have

off since 1959.

According to political analysts this has something to do with the prevailing situation in Tibet. Whenever the Chinese sense an internal or external threat to their authority in Tibet they have invariably denounced the Dalai Lama in no uncertain terms.

As the situation improved they held nut an nlive branch to the Dalai Lama in the form of an "offer" to return to Tibet. That is why China's recent efforts to seek detente

"They have not been able to suppress the Tibetans in Tibet. During the eighteen years of self-exile of the Dalai Lama the Tibetans have not become absorbed by the Chinese.

"They are still resisting the occupation of the country through a non-violent underground movement. Occasionally erupts into violence too. it

"It is to hide all this from the rest of the world that the Chinese come out with such "offers". But it is sheer propaganda. We know it. The Chineknow it." se

Recently some Janata Party leaders, both within the government and outside, have sy-Why have the Chinese tim-

Considered thus, the Chinese offer is usually made to appear as one intended to save him from this.

How true is it? All those who have met the god-king are usually struck with his sub-lime cheerfulness. Of course be wants to go back to Tibet, but not to a Chinese controlled Communist Tibet, but to an independent Tibet.

Jordanian dailies Wednesday commented on the celebration of the Mosiem feast of Al Isra wa Al Mi'raj at a time when Al Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem is still under Israeli occupation.

AL DUSTOUR said that although millions of Moslems, both Arabs and non-Arabs, celebrated the feast on Tuesday night none of these millions could stop the Israeli excavations taking place at the foundations of Al Aqsa. Years are passing but the Mosiems are doing nothing about this disaster; they only celebrate feasts and resign to waiting for an outsider to solve their problems.

When those who hate burned Al Aqsa, the paper said, it was expected that a drastic and effective change would take place in the Moslem World, rich as it is in material and human potential and enjoys strategic positions over more than one continent.

The paper concluded that, while international initiatives are being made to resolve the Middle East conflict, it is best for the Moslems -- Arabs and non-Arabs -- to join hands in order to form a political, economic and military power, not for the purpose of aggression but to bring to a half the disaster which befell them when Al Aqsa Mosque was occupied by Israel.

AL SHA'B noted that once again the anniversary of Al Isra wa Al Mi'raj is celebrated while Isfaeli excavations contimue at the foundations of Al Aqsa Mosque.

The paper said that the celebrations of the feast come as a reminder of Arab laxity in liberating occupied lands and as a reminder of Arab contra-

dictions which were responsible for the defeat.

Since the Arab and Moslem Worlds are celebrating the feast while part of the holy Moslem land is occupied it is better, the paper said, that we lament on such a feast to arouse the will to mobilise and liberate the land and save Al

Aosa. What in more painful than Al Aqsa being under occupa-tion, the paper continued, is that in spite of the horror of ten years of israeli occupation. Arab effort is still not mobilised.

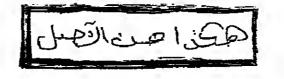
The paper concluded by disapproving of the acts of political violence in Damascus and Cairo and of the continuand Caro and of the commi-ing civil war in south Lebanon all of which bring into, relief Arab negligence in liberating the occupied territories. AL RA'I said that the anni-versary of Al Isra wa Al Mi'raj has come back again bringing nothing new arcent

bringing nothing new except the announcement by the Is-raeli military leaders who have just won the last elections. They said that the Israeli aggression was a war for liberating lands which needed libera-

The paper added that while the Arabs spent the years hoping for peace and justifying their defeats and while their leaders talked about war and looked to the U.N. for help, Israeli military leaders openly announced that there is no giving up of what has been "liberated of the promised land" and that the "Israeli state must have the borders demarcated in the Bible."

The paper concluded that thus the Israelis have changed their usual manoeuvring to an open confrontation which the Arabs and Moslems should not ignore any longer.





convey to them how Jordan is

progressing in various fields,

especially concerning informa-

tion. Jordan Television, for

example, has been able to esta-

hlish itself as one of the most

effective television stations in the Middle East because of

casting Union and distributes

such information in the Middle East region. This has put Jor-

The minister expressed the

hope that the forthcoming non-aligned broadcasting conferen-

ce will recommend the forma-

tion of programme banks, an organised system of program-

As for other international is-

To conclude, the minister

stated that radio and television

should be used as a catalyst

for achieving development and

such relations."

sed.

## Abu Odeh: Information imbalance will lead to frustration; a highly explosive situation

te news imbalance between the developed and the underdeveloped worlds is fast . coming a major topic of debate as the Third World struggles to liberate itself from last shackles of colonialism. A preparatory committee of broadcasting organisaas of non-aligned countries ended two days of meetings in Amman last week, en delegates discussed the agenda for the high-powered Conference of Broadcast-Organisations of Non-aligned Countries, to be held in the Yugoslav town of ajevo at the end of October. The Jordan Times took the chance to interview a nber of the top delegates at the conference, starting with Jordan's Minister of ormation, Mr. Adnan Abu Odeh, who discussed the need for decolonisation in the d of information and the various ways of cementing solidarity among non-aligned adcasting organisations.

frustrated situation."

Another area of imbalance,

the minister added, is in the

exchange of news. While some

countries are speeding up news

exchange by the use of com-

munications satellites, some of

the non-aligned countries do

not even have proper airports

for the despatch of news items,

Radio and television stations

are supposed to be cultural ve-

bicles and not vehicles for do-

mination or tools used by one

party against another, he add-

objectives for world peace. for

prosperity; if we are true and

"High expectations (caused

by over-reliance on West-

'If we are bonest about our

be said.

#### By Lina Gress scial to the Jordan Times

iny countries attained their vides the best environment for tical independence only to another foreign power to affect that they were not com-ely decolonised in the ecoyou in the way it likea, because the readiness to accept suggestiveness will be high in ic and information fields, ister of Information Adnan a Odeh stated.

conomic decolonisation is in progress, the minister ssed. Debates at the vas United Nations agencies touch on this point. s to the third field of do-

atlon, the Minister explainhat the flow of information veen the non-aligned and rich industrialised world is iys in favour of the latter. aturally, the non-aligned ntries, in a drive to intee the political, economio accial sides of independenshould look upon informaas one of the tools to

eve such a goal.



ern T.V. programmes) withont fulfillment lead to frustration and frustration provides the best environment for another foreign power to affect you in the way it likes, because the readiness to accept suggestiveness will be high in a

frustrated situation."

tee for peace and development, I think it is our right to strug-

rich industrialised countries.

"This is what I call informa-

tion decolonisation, which is

in the interest of all people and

all countries on this globe.

Otherwise, we will continue to undergo a state of frustration,

a state of imbalance, which will

be very explosive and affect

the relations between human

Due to the importance of coordination and cooperation among the 88 non-aligned cou-ntries, the minister strongly

emphasised the need for the

establishment of a coordinat-

ing centre that, will act as a nerve centre for the exchange

and reciprocation of informa-

beings."

gle for a state of balance bet-

ween the non-aligned and the

"Hence, high expectations without fulfillment lead to frution between one country and the other. stration and frustration pro-

"No country can live in isolation, even if it is self-imposed isolation. Interdependence is becoming more and more in-tensified in a world which has shrunk in size. Knowing about a country can help foster a more humane attitude, rather than a derogatory one. In this way, the achievements, as well as the shoricomings of a specific country, can be better appreciated."

me exchange amongst member-states and the adoption of con-The minister also proposed that a technical council be forcrete proposals for finding the appropriate means to cooperate med among non-aligned counwith more advanced countries tries and suggested that compein order to achieve a balanced tent engineers should make a relationship. survey in the 88 countries to The minister stated that the study the technical situation in

each. "Within the one country, rahave one unified position. He cited Rhodesia as an example, dio and television are to be viewed ideally as bonds uinking where non-aligned countries should have a common stand society. We hope that in the world they will become bonds linking societies. If it is true to help it attain independence. to say that they are bonds for one society, I think it is equalsues, such as economic coordination or the elimination of doly true to say that they might mination of the underdeveloped become bonds for a world soby the advanced countries, he ciety," Mr. Abu Odeh said. reiterated that a unified attitu-The minister explained that de is again vital, especially sin-

since Jordan is a member of a ce international issues have, in regional organisation, the Arab a sense, a common denomina-Broadcasting Union, and two international unions (the European Broadcasting Union and the Asian Pacific Broadcasting Union), it has established good contacts with other radio and attaining a state of equilibrium television stations all over the amongst the various countries world.

#### NATIONAL NOTES

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of the world.

# AMMAN. - Egyptian President Anwar Sadat sent a cable of congratulations to His Majesty King Hussein on the occasion of the marriage of Princess Alia, the King's eldest daughter, to Naser Mirza on Monday. In bis cable, President Sadat wished the couple eternal bappiness and good luck.

& JEDDAH. - Saudi Minister of Municipal and Rural Affairs Prince Majid Ibn Abdul Aziz Wednesday received Jordan's Ambassador to Saudi Arabia, Dr. Nassereddine Assad, to discuss

**U.S.** gives additional \$22m to UNRWA We benefit from their experience. We are also able to

AMMAN (J.T.). - The United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) Wednesday announced that the U.S. bad pledged an additional \$22 million for UNRWA'a 1977 programme.

This pledge brings the total The minister said that Jor-dan is already a centre for U.S. contribution to UNRWA for 1977 to \$48.7 million. news exchange. It exchanges UNRWA's deficit for 1977 news with the European Broad-

presently stands at \$17.6 million in a budget of \$135 million.

dan in a privileged and distin-The agency provides food raguiabed position and might entions, education and health able Jordan to lend its expertiservices for about one million se and provide training for brodisplaced Palestinians living In adcasting personnel from other camps. non-aligned countries, he stres-

> Carter approves Alia N.Y. flights

WASHINGTON, July 12 (R). -President Jimmy Carter has approved foreign air carrier permits for the airlines of Jordan and Syrla, the U.S. Civil aeronautics Board said today.

Alia, the Royal Jordanian Airline, and Syrian Arab Airnon-aligned countries should ways, are operating twice-weekly flights to New York from Damascus and Amman.

Steps taken to

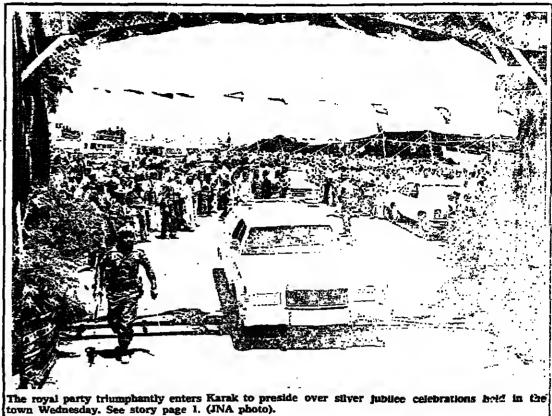
ratify education

accord with Oman

MUSCAT, July 13 (JNA). -Instruments for ratification of a cultural and educational agreement between Jordan and Oman were exchanged at the Omani Ministry of Education today.

The Omani side was repre-sented by Minister of Education Abmad Abdullah Al Ghazali and the Jordanian by Ambassador Suhail Al Tal.

Jordan is helping Oman in the educational field, particularly concerning curricula and textbooks,



meet with King Hussein and

Prince Hassan.

#### ISLAMIC WORLD FETES ASCENSION **OF MOHAMMAD**

AMMAN (JNA). - Jordan and the Islamic world Wednesday celebrated the Isra and Mi'raj commemorating the ascension of the Prophet Mohammad to heaven.

His Majesty King Hussein received cables of good wishes on this occasion from Prime Minister Mudar Badran, Speaker of the Upper House Babiat Talhouni, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces Lt.-Gen. Sbarif Zeid Ibn Shaker, Mayor of Amman Ma'n Abu Nuwwar and the directors of the General Intelligence, Public Security and Civil Defence Departments.

Mr. Ahu Nuwwar also sent cables of good wishes to their Highnesses Crown Prince Hassan and Prince Mohammad.

The Ministry of Awgaf and Islamic Affairs held a religious ceremony at Al Hussein mosque here Wednesday afternoon. A large number of the ministry's officials attended the ce-

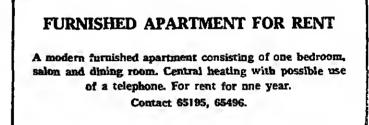
remony, as well as Islamic religious figures and scores of citizens.

### to guage M.E. climate AMMAN (JNA). - An Austra- House Bahjat Talhouni and lian jerliamentary delegation arrived here from Damascus Wednesday afterooon for a five-day visit to Jordan. It will

Australian M.P.s here

members of the parlipment. The delegation's visit to Jordan comes as pair of a tour to Arab countries to get to know the various viewpoints on the Middle East crisis.

On their way to Amman, the Delegates will also confer with Prime MInister Mudar Australian parliamentarians visited the historic town of Ja-Badran, Speaker of the Upper rash.



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; an example, the Minister d the question of radio and rision production in nonied countries. He commenhat in order to fill the brosting hours, producers : rely on programmes imed mainly from the Westindustrialised countries. he programmes of the tern world are those that derived from a certain culi life, a certain attitude of which might not always n with our ambitions and rations and with our way ife and development," Mr. Odeh stressed.

would say more than Our children, the youngof the non-aligned coun-, are living in a continustate of frustration, becauhe viewing of such prohmes raises their expectawhich we cannot fulfill. genuine in our belief in cultubilateral relations. ral interaction as the guaran-

\* AMMAN. - Minister of Education Dr. Abdul Salam Al Majali met with an expert on education at the Qatari Embassy here Tuesday. They discussed the strengthening of cultural relations and the possibility of using Jordanian educational expertise in Oatar.

AMMAN. — A royal decree issued Tuesday appointed Dr. Adel Afifl as Dean of the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Jordan and nominated former dean, Dr. Frank Howarth, as advisor to the university president on medical studies.

\* AMMAN, — The Cabinet Tuesday allocated JD 300,000 to finance the laboratories of the Faculty of Engineering and Tech-nology at the University of Jordan. This sum is the estimated amount to be received as duties from a number of new banks to be opened in Jordan.

AMMAN. — Minister of Labour Issam Ajlouni presided over a meeting at the Ministry of Labour Tuesday to discuss the development of social work in Jordan and ways of increasing the authority of local social directors in the various governorates as a step towards achieving decentralisation.

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## Bank of Spain defends peseta devaluation

MADRID, July 13 (R). — Spain the country could not go supporting an over-valued curren-foreign curreocy reserves in the cy. past few weeks trying to keep the peseta at an artificially high level, Bank of Spain Governor Jose Maria Lopez de Letona said last night.

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Explaining yesterday's decision to devalue the peseta by 19.9 per cent, Senor Lopez de Letona said on television that

### Boeing taps wind power

WASHINGTON, July 13 (R). - The Boeing Aircraft Company is to build the world's biggest windmill as part of an experiment to see if wind turbines can generate electricity at reasonable cost. The U.S.

National Aeronautics and Space Ad-ministration (NASA) said yesterday the windmill would have a rotor span of 91 metres.

The contract with Boeing to design, build and test the windmill would be worth about \$10 million, it said.

NASA said the windmill would produce about 2,500 kilowatts of electricity with average wind speeds of 14 miles per bour. The site will be chosen later.

Other companies are building smaller windmills for tests at sites with higher average wind speeds.

mic problems in a very positive way, he added.

The devaluation was intended to cut the present trade deficit of \$4.3 billion a year stimulating exports and curbing imports, he said.

It also gave an unexpected bonus to foreign tourists --more than 30 million are expected this year -- who will now get about 20 per cent more pesetas when they change their money into the local cur-

rency. This in turn should boost the foreign exchanges income of Spanish hotels, bars, shops and restaurants.

FRANKFURT, West Germany July 13 (R). — The dollar fell on foreign exchange markets today following a Washington report that the Carter admini-stration would not interment But many financial analysts here doubted whether Spain could afford to cut back on imports significantly since many of the imports, such as oil and machinery are vital to the stration would not intervene to boost its value. economy. But the government appear-

Senior administration sourced to have won the qualified es said yesterday it was habacking of the communists for ppy with the dollar's recent fail against other currencies, seen in Washington as a marits plan to end the economic CTISIS. ket reaction to predictions of a huge U.S. trade deficit this

After a meeting lasting near-ly two-and-a-half hours with Prime Minister Adolfo Suarez year. last night, Communist leader Santiago Carrillo said the go-In hectic trading on the We-st German Foreign Exchange Market today, the dollar fell vernment's economic measures were adequate though incomplete.

2.2760 marks, dealers said. It was fixed at 2.2890 yesterday. The government bas promised to negotiate the impleme-ntation of its measures with Sterling fell in sympathy rea-ching its lowest since last Nothe opposition parties. The provember, at 3.918 marks. gramme calls for wage restra-In Paris, the French franc int and the introduction of a strengthened against the dollar wealth tax and death duties. Senor Carrillo said the goto 4.8550 today from 4.8622 overnight. The mark moved to vernment did not seem to inte-2,1325 francs, a record trading nd to make the working classes high. bear the cost of the crisis, If

A \$20 billion U.S. trade shthis was true, it would be posortfall has been predicted for sible to deal with the econo-1977.

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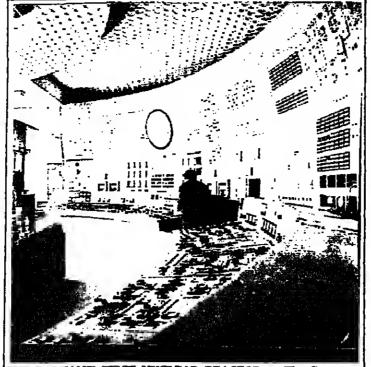
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is young and very fragile and

we must all collaborate in ma-

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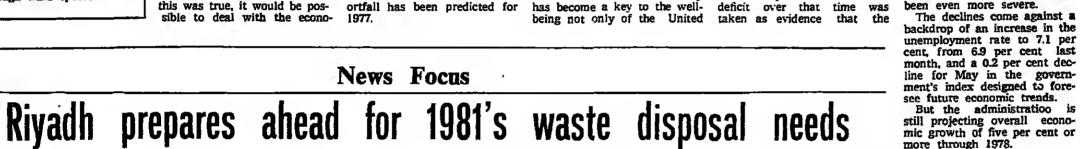
THE BALKANS' FIRST NUCLEAR REACTOR -- The first nuc lear power plant in the Balkans is working near the town of Kozlodoui, Bulgaria. 90 per cent of the equipment was supplied by the Soviet Union. At full capacity the plant produces 880 megawatts,

### Carter is optimistic about U.S. economy despite negative signs

WASHINGTON, July 13 (R). States but also of its trading partners.

The U.S. Department Commerce recently reported that its composite index of "I think there's a general un-certainty in the world about major U.S. trading partners declined 0.7 per cent in April and now stands only 0.5 per

The latest decline of \$14 million to \$59.2 billion means cent above the end of 1976. sales measured by value have American industrial production, by contrast, rose 2.3 per cent in the same period, and the country's \$10 billion trade deficit over that time was the



- President Carter said yester-

day be was optimistic about

the American economy despite recent signs of weakness.

future economic circumstan-

But he added: "I've been impressed with the long-range

projections that have been

Growth in the U.S. economy

iven to me.

#### By C. E. Tiffen

RIYADH (LPS). — Riyadb, Saudi Arabia's capital, is buil-ding a small satellite district on its eastern fringe -- g working living complex for 2000 people who will help to keep the city clean and healthy as the population soars to one million by 1981. At present it totals 600,000.

Population growth and a changing life-style bring new problems to any big urban

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cleansing service as one operation. The consortium will undertake the work in conjunction with the municipality of Riyadh.

Daily collections of refuse will be made from flats, villas and other dwellings, govern-ment establishments, shops, hotels, restaurants, hospitals, markets, workshops, offices and factories. There will also be a full street cleansing and market cleansing service.

Following are official exchange rates in effect at the Individual multi-family

### Lawyer blames political bias for Concorde's ban

and Air France said in court today that the operators of Kennedy Airport never had any intention of allowing the Concorde supersonic airliner to

land in New York. Lawyer John Welles said the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey was acting under political pressure in refusing to determine whether Concorde could land at the airport.

"The orders were passed : Ban the Concorde", Mr. Welles said, noting opposition to the Anglo-French plane by New York Governor Hugh Ca-

rey. Mr. Welles was introducing the airlines' case against the Port Authority. They maintain that the authority's 16-month ban on Concorde is unreasonable and discriminatory and should be struck down by the court.

Today's hearing was order-ed by the U.S. Court of Ap-

United States has been fuel-

nations.

ling the economies of other

Only minutes before Mr. Carter's remarks, the Com-

merce Department reported the

third consecutive monthly drop in U.S. retail sales.

dipped 0.5 per cent since

March. In volume terms, be-

cause of inflation, the drop has

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## the main U.S. aviation gateman NEW YORK, July 13 (R). — peals, which ruled last month Lawyers for British Airways that the Port Authority had

the right to set noise limits on Concorde. But the court also said the anthority must be reasonable in setting those limits. Mr. Welles, who came to

fell again in the first six montus or this year, a way reveaus today. The New Chins News Agency reported crude oil output was only 10 per cent higher in January to June this year than the same six month period in 1976. Last year's annual growth was officially reported to have been 13 per cent up on the previous year. Until 1978 China's rate of increase in oil production was even higher -- averaging the same such a neuron the previous year.

20 per cent or more annually.

The official media never gives absolute figures but a recent Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) survey put crude output is 1976 at about 1.7 million barrels a day, comparable with that of Indonesia.

The survey, published early this month, predicted a conti-nuing decline in the rate of growth which might reach between 2.4 and 2.8 million barrels a day by 1980, most of which would be absorbed domestically.

Assuming an annual rate of 10 per cent production increase (equal to the rate so far this year) China's prime reserves could be exhausted in 20 years, according to the CIA.

### W. German exports to OPEC quadrupled since 1972

COLOGNE, West Germany, July 13 (R). — West Germ-any's exports to the 13 oil exporting countries (OPEC) have quadrupled since the 1972 oil crisis, according to figures released bere yesterday.

The West German Economics Institute said this country, with a 14 per cent share, is now the OPEC group's third largest trading partner behind the United States 22 per cent) and Japan (16 per cent).

marks, imports from the OPEC nations would amount to more The institute said despite the expansion, the type of goods exported to the OPEC group and the percentage shared among the individual member countries had changed little since 1972.

cling of petro-dollars in the world economy as a whole had also turned out to be better than expected. It said although the OPEC group's income had increased from about \$19 billion in 1873 to \$113 billion in 1975, the oil states had bought goods worth \$60 billion and had pumped back another \$33 billion through financial deals and into monetary institutions.

West German goods on the do-

The OPEC deficit in the tra-

ding balance last year, as in

1975, was unchanged at about

3.2 billion marks (£800 mit

lion), the institute said. But this year it was expect-

ed to decrease to less than two billion marks (£500 mil-

lion) because while West Ger-

man exports could run to al-

most 26 billion (£6.5 billion)

than 27 billion marks (E6.75

billion), mainly in the form

The institute said the ray-

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to Europe. Mr. Welles said : "There

serious reason to doubt whe ther the Port Authority car intended to give a fair char to Concorde at Kennedy A port. . . .

court armed with six buiging briefcases filled with legal do-cuments, concentrated his arg-"Since the governor of the state of New York has the state of rew role any decision made by the Port Authority (he has) power to dictate the ument on a brief filed by the Carter administration at the request of the appeals court. The brief said a case could be made that the Port Authoractions made by the Port Auto

actions many sy are a see only ority commissioners." Thus Mr. Welles argued Thus Mar. weres argued when the Port Authority rea. Ned on March 11, 1976, buy porarily to ban Concorde pes-ding a further noise study, is fact it was acting on Governme Carey's orders.

#### ity had dragged its feet in refusing to come to a decision on noise limits for Concorde. It also said that this delay, if found to be unreasonable, could be grounds for admitting Concorde to Kennedy Airport,



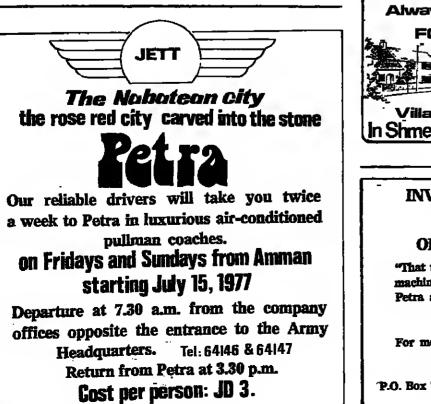
area. Already plans are in hand for Riyadh's new drainage and sewage treatment sys-tem but provision has also to be made for dealing with solid wastes.

Regular, safe disposal of these becomes necessary not only because of the numbers of people. Rising spending power increases turnover of expendable consumer goods, so that bulky items such as disused cars, furniture, bedding, cookers and refrigerators are added to the normal discarded daily products of living. And the introduction of wide ranges of manufactured goods into an economy brings with it large quantities of packaging materials.

#### 100,000 tons of waste

Coping with concentrations of both liquid and solid wastes are public services which have received much attention in Britain since the turn of the cen-Rapid industrialisation tury. and expansion of towns has led to research aod development work which has produced a special expertise.

> FURNISHED HOUSE FOR RENT A house consisting of two bedrooms, salon, dining room, reception room and veranda. Central beating. Situated at Hussein Housing Suburb. Contact 37097.



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This is an artist's impression of the self-contained miniature town planned for the outskirts of Riyadh to accommodate personnel employed by Waste Management-Saudi Pritchard for the Saudi Arabian capital's five year sanitation services project.

in the case of Riyadh the Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs has placed a contract with an international consortium for refuse collection, street cleansing and waste disposal services for the whole city. It is estimated that Riyadh will generate 100,000 tons of waste yearly by 1981. Building up the infra-struc-ture for the city's cleansing service, equipment purchasing, and early-stage operation, sp-

read over five years will cost will be included with the other around 849 million Saudi Riyals (approximately £140 million). All this will be undertaken by Saudi-Pritchard, an associate company of Pritchard Services Group Ltd. of Harrow, London, England, together with Waste Management Inc., of the United States of America. Landfill material

Focal point of the scheme is the main disposal site where all the collected solid wastes

will be used as landfill mate-

rial and tipped under hygienic

conditions to obviate nuisance

from insects or other pests.

al and religious buildings.

material used in landfill.

At the site a central main-tenance depot is being built for

servicing the fleet of 300 vehi-

cles of all kinds which will

be involved. Stores and admi-

nistration offices will also be

located here. But the service will involve a workforce of

some 2000 people -- so they will be housed in good accom-

modation in the miniature town being built for them. This

will provide not only homes but also catering facilities,

health services, and recreation-

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An incinerator will be provided on site to accept patho-logical waste, animal carcas-Riyadh is believed to be the first capital city anywhere to ses, toxic wastes and so on. The resultant ash and clinker put out a complete contract for the setting up of a total



### **INVITATION TENDER NO. 171/77** GENERAL DEPARTMENT

#### **OF MATERIALS ANNOUNCES:**

"That the Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities needs machines and equipment for the tourism project Petra and Jarash. The closing date of the tender is 12 a.m., date 21.9.1977." Value of tender copy JD 20. For more specifications please refer to: General Department of Materials King Hussein Street, Amman P.O. Box 7679 - - Tel. 39161/2/3 - - Telex 1597 SUDEPT JO.

fuse storage containers will be provided for multi-occupaocy premises or congested areas, and individual bins for easily accessible premises. Public litter bins will be placed on the walkways of the main thor-oughfares. Teams of street orderlies supplemented by mechanical sweeper vehicles will ensure that the streets are cleared of litter every day. Assembled refuse will be carried to transfer points esta-

Lebanese pound Syrian pound blished throughout the city, or Iraqi dinar collected by compactor vehic-Kuwaiti dinar les and transferred directly to Egyptian pound the disposal site. Stationary compaction plants installed at Libyan dinar UAE dirham transfer stations and large in-dustrial premises will reduce U.K. sterling U.S. dollar the gross volume of the refuse German mark French franc so that it can be more easily and bygienically removed in Swiss franc bulk transfer vehicles to the Italian lira (for main site. every 100)

### ECONOMIC NEWS BRIEFS

#### Fraser may delay uranium decision

\* CANBERRA, July 13 (R). - Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser suggested here today that there might be a delay in announcing whether Australia intended to mine its uranium reserves -- estimated to be 20 per cent of the Western World's total stocks. Mr. Fraser had been expected to announce before next Friday that mining and export of the nuclear fuel could resume. The prime minister told a National Press Club lunch the issues involved were too important to decide overnight.

#### Arab fund pledges aid to Djibouti

\* CAIRO, July 13 (R). - The Fund for Technical Aid for Arab and African Countries has decided to give Djibouti \$1.5 million annually, a spokesman for the fund said bere today. The fund, with headquarters in Cairo, has a capital of \$25 million through contributions by Arab countries.

#### Oil shale deposits found near Jerusalem

+ HAIFA, Israel, July 13 (R). - Large oil shale deposits have been found near Jerusalem, and there is enough high quality shale available to meet Israel's electric power needs for the next 20 years, experts of the Mechanical Engineering Department at the Haifa Institute of Technology revealed here today.

#### Libya, Yugoslavia conclude 2 contracts

\* BELGRADE, July 13 (R). — The Yugosiav firm Energoinves si-gned a \$30 million contract with the Libyan Jamahiriyah Electrical Projects Company (ELPCO) to build 14 power transmission sta-tions in Libya, official sources said today. Another Yugoslav firm, the Yugoslavia Projekt, concluded a contract with the Libyan Jamahiriyah Communication Ministry to draw up plans for the 860-km. railway from the port of Misurata to the southern town of Sebha, the Belgrade newspaper Politika reported. Value of the contract was not disclosed. The plans for the Misurata-Brachmmsebha railway should be completed in 14 months, according to the contract.

#### Iranian delegation visits Moscow

≉ TEHRAN, July 13 (R). - An Iranian delegation has left here for Moscow on a nine day visit to inspect Soviet nuclear installations, the official radio reported today. The delegatioo was led by Dr. Akbar Etemad, head of the Atomic Energy Organisation of Iran, who is to resume negotiations in two weeks time on buying up to eight U.S. nuclear power plants.

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Machinery, motor vehicles, electrical products and tools continued to head the export list. The largest recipient was Iran, followed by Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Nigeria and Algeria, The institute said despite the growing industrialisation in the OPEC lands, it saw no immediate competition for

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies against the dollar at the close of inter-bank trading on the London Foreign Exchange Market yesterday. Tourist rates will differ from those quoted below.

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One sterling		1.7205 / 07	U.S. dollars
One dollar	=	2.2798 / 808	West German marks
		2.4460 / 75	Dutch guilders
		35.50 / 53	Belgian francs
•		4.8590 / 610	French francs
		882.35 / 50	Italian lire
		264.25 / 40	Japanese yen
		4.3440 / 70	Swedish crowns
		5.2590 / 620	Norwegian crowns
		5.9500 / 30	Danish crowns

### WALL STREET REPORT

The stock exchange was off again on Wednesday as the industrial average wandered around the 900 mark in moderate trading. Finally, it closed at 902.99, off 0.42 points.

Investors appeared to be troubled that retail sales dipped in June for the third consecutive month. Declines outnumbered advances by g narrow 687 to 684 margin.

Chemicals were mixed. Coppers, department stores, gold mines were off. Airlines were slightly up. Xerox gained 1-1/4 at 50-1/4. Atlantic Richfield gained 1-1/8 at 58-3/8. IBM gained 1-5/8 at 26-1/8. Lockheed gained 1-1/4 at 17-1/4.

At the close, the industrial average shows at 902.99, a ide of 0.42 points: Transp at 236.07, a loss of 0.34; utilities at 117.65, a gain of 0.22, 23,160,000 shares changed hands, of which 5,320,000 during the last hour.

#### REPORT LONDON MARKET

The market was steady Wednesday with a firm undertone in very quiet trading, dealers said. At 15:00 the F.T. index was 3.0 at 449.3.

Lack of sellers and small investment demand in a thin market pushed government bonds up by as much as 3/4 point. Equity leaders rose up to 8p.

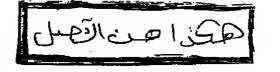
Gold shares were narrowly mixed, along with Canadian and U.S. dollar shares,

Decca rose 13p to 322 on buying in a thin market. Gains of 6p to 8p were scored by Fisons, Reckitt and Colman, Tate and Lyie, Rank and Unilever. Banks firmed up to 5p. The new ordinary shares in London Scottish and marine of were traded for the first time Having contact at 15th against an

were traded for the first time. Having opened at 160p against # offer price of 155p, they touch 171p before softening to 170 st the close.

Scottish and Newcastle breweries rose 2-1/2p to 52-1/2p following the announcement of their earnings.

Price of gold closed in London Wednesday at \$142.88/or.



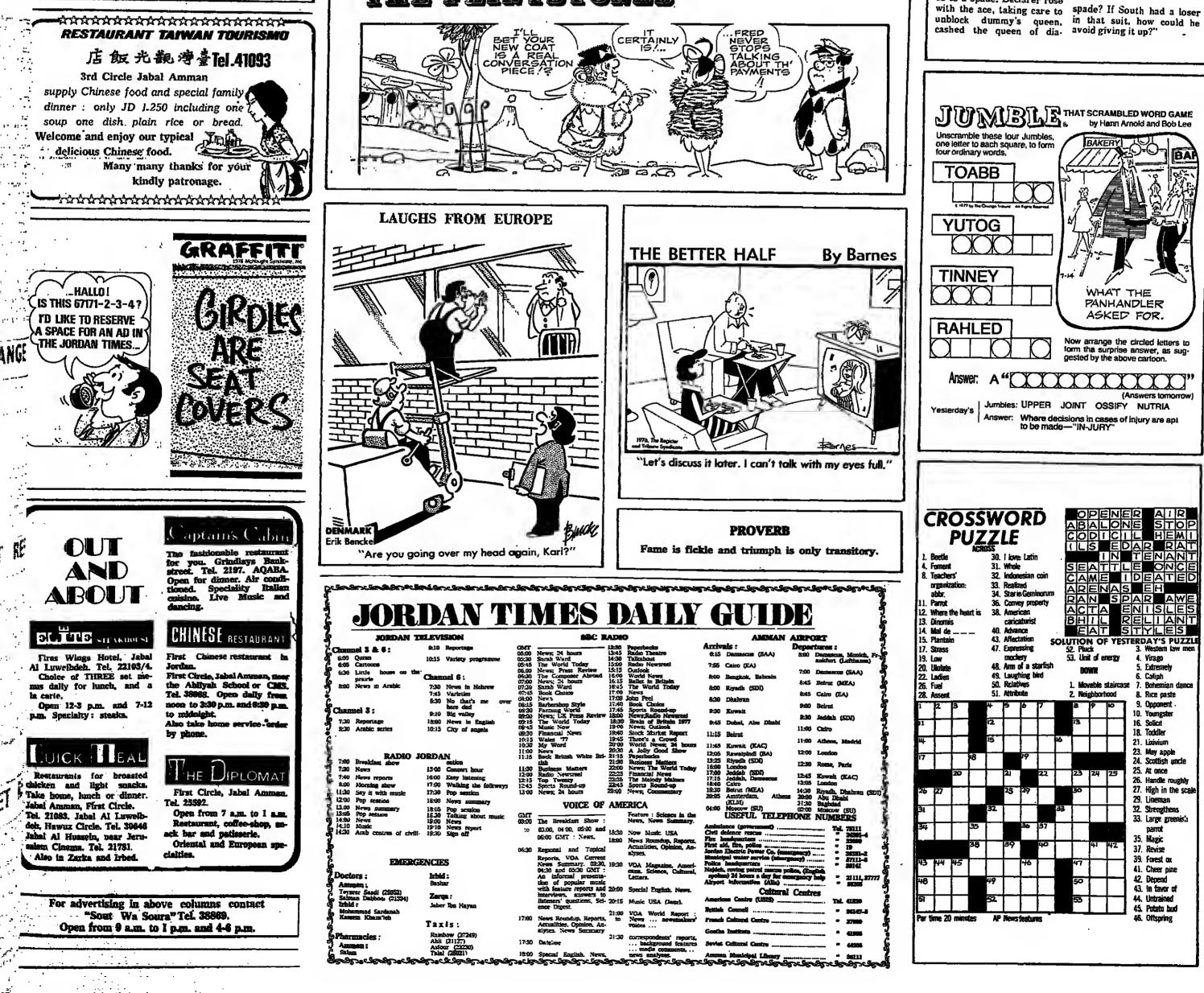
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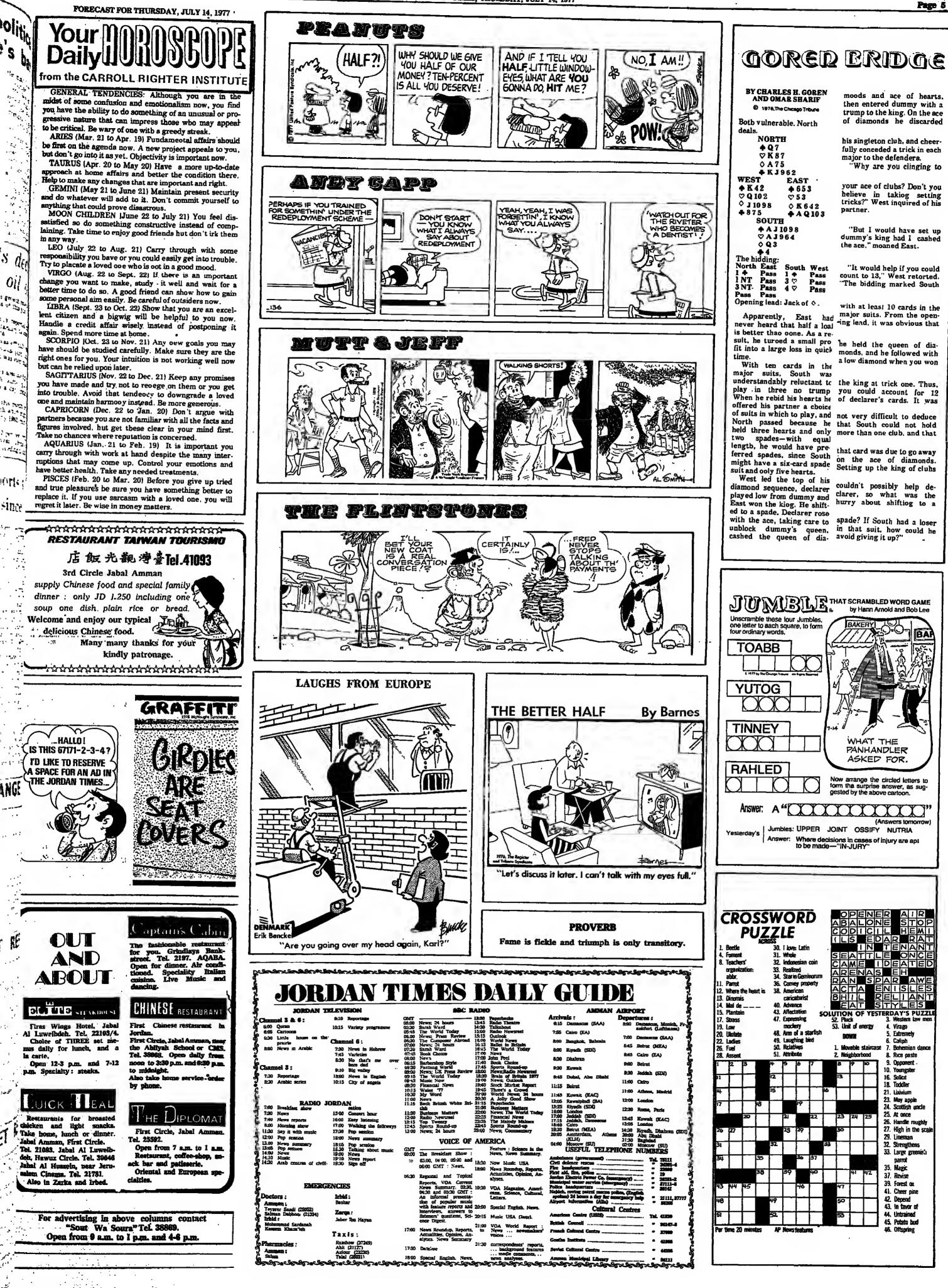


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## Paul Warnke says in Geneva U.S., U.K., USSR may consider a temporary halt to nuclear tests

GENEVA, July 13 (R). — Mr. Paul Warnke, chief U.S. disarmament negotiator, said today that America, the Soviet Union and Britain, in private talks here, might consider temporarily halting all nuclear weapon tests.

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But he added that the discussions, aimed at exploring the prospects for negotiating a comprehensive nuclear test ban treaty, were at a very prelimmary stage. He could give no indication when a full test ban agreement might be ready.

Answering reporters' questi-ons before the opening of the talks in the Soviet diplomatic mission here, Mr. Warnke said the U.S. had held separate meetings with Soviet and British officials last month, but issues such as a moratorium remained to be explored.

Dr. Igor Morokhov, chief of the State Committee on Atomic Energy, headed the Soviet delegation at today's meeting, and Mr. Percy Cradock, Ambassador in East Berlin, led the British team.

They are trying to break a



SOCIALIST MUSCLE -- The Soviet Union shows its strength as tanks and troops of Prikarpatski military district in the Carpatian mountain range take part in summer manoeuvres currently under-way in the country. Western military observers have been invited to watch. (AP wirephoto).

14-year deadlock that has prevented a 1963 treaty banning nuclear weapons tests in the atmosphere, outer space and under water from being exten-ded to underground blasts.

Mr. Warnke told reporters: "We are just at the very pre-liminary stages. We will have to find out if there is a suffi-cient area of agreement so that we can look forward to some sort of prompt resolution of the major issues and there-fore the possibility of a moratorium.

But it is really too early

to tell, as yet." Mr. Warnke gave no hint of how long the consultations, being held alternatively in the Soviet, U.S. and British missions, would last, or when the negotiators hoped to reach any agreement

He said he hoped the nego-tiations could move forward to a complete test ban within a reasonably short time.

But he added : "I can't de-fine what that reasonably short period of time might be."

Mr. Warnke said the major prohlems to be tackled by the negotiators were the treaty's scope, bow to ensure there was no cheating, and how the agreement would he implemented and reviewed.

Differences between the U.S. and the Soviet Union over pollcing the treaty have been a major stumbling block to efforts to extend the partial test ban treaty to underground bla-

The Soviet Union has said it would agree to voluntary onsite inspections, but the U.S. bas previously insisted there should "adequate" checks to ensure states were keeping to a ban on weapons tests.

### Jeremy Thorpe thinks EEC should move its embassies to Jerusalem

Jeremy Thorpe, foreign affairs spokesman of Britain's minorlty Liberai Party, yesterday suggested that Common Market countries might move their embassies in Israel from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem.

No big power has ever done this because they have never formally recognised Israel's annexation of east Jerusalem after capturing it in the 1967 war.

LONDON, July 13 (R). - Mr. Israeli origin to this country's exports.

mously." Mr. Thorpe continued : "It The Liberal foreign affairs spokesman said that "next time the British government, should be much more outspoken in calling attention to the fact that It is the Arabs, not and preferably the European Israelis who are still refusing Community governments acting to negotiate, by normal international procedures."

together, make a statement cal-He made no mention of Isling for the setting up of a Pal-estinian state, they should ba-

# Sabbath traffic might split Israeli cabinet

TEL AVIV, July 13 (AFP). - Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin's three-week-old regime emerged safe yesterday after a rabbl-mayor in a small coalition party agreed not to attack the government for allowing traffic on the Sabbath.

But observers said the potential threat to the coalition from the orthodox religious Agudat Israel Party, could remain as long as the traffic controversy simmered.

The controversy followed attempts by local authorities to ban Sabbath traffic in the Tel Aviv suburb of Bnei Brak where there have been clashes between religious and non-religious supporters in the last ten days.

The acting Mayor in Baei Brak, Rabbi Yitzhak Meir, only and acting mayor in Shei Brak, Rabbi Yitzhak Meir, only agreed at the last minute not to call a meeting of Agudat Israel, at which he planned to say it was difficult for the party to re-main in a coalition government which wanted to open hitherto closed streets to Sabbath traffic.

The coalition, dominated by Mr. Begin's rightwing Likud group, was meanwhile continuing negotiations with the Demo-cratic Movement for Change, which did not join the coalition after Israel's May election.

The Bnet Brak affair itself centred on Hachomer Street, a main highway, and showed no signs of abating yesterday as the suburb's religious leaders appealed for mass prayer in the street on Thursday night in protest against "desecration of the Sabhath \*

At the same time non-religious Israelis, mainly non-resid-ents of Basi Brak, planned a demonstration in Hachomer Street on Friday night, in protest against the closure of a central high-way, and in memory of a 22-year-old man who died there ten days ago when his car hit a chain fence which had been put up.

### Turkey's army head slams talk of military role in politics

ANKARA, July 13 (R). - Tur-key's army Chief-of-Staff, Gen. Semih Sancar, today deman-ded an end to speculation that the military might take a hand if the nation's political and

Gen. Sancar said in a statement that provocative comments about the military should stop and that "legai procedures" should be taken against

with ex-Premier Suleyman Di-merel, who is expected to form

## In vehement attack on Giscard Mitterrand threatens to limit powers of French president

PARIS, July 13 (AFP). --French Socialist leader Francois Mitterrand yesterday publicly warned President Valery Giscard d'Estaing that the left will immediately take steps to cut back his power if it wins control of parliament in the general elections next year.

In one of his most vehement attacks yet on the French pre-sident, Mr. Mitterrand told a press conference that the leftwing alliance of Socialists, Communists and Radicals would ask parliament to revise tha Constitution if it won the elections.

Mr. Mitterrand took parti-cular exception to a speech made by President Giscard d'Estaing last Friday and accused the head of state of unconstitutionally opening the campaign for the parliamentary elections.

Describing Mr. Giscard d'Estaing as "The president of the right, the president of the conservative forces and the protector of capital," the So-cialist leader charged him with being "the captain of a team, and not the referee on the field \*

In his first press conference for nearly a year, Mr. Mitter-rand displayed an open bosti-lity to the bead of state not seen since the 1974 presidential campaign in which be was narrowly beaten by Mr. Gis-card d'Estaing.

Basing himself on Public opinion polls, which put the left ahead of the present cen-tre-right parliamentary majo-rity, Mr. Mitterrand said the president's speech last Friday was "the opening of hostillties against more than half of the French people."

He summoried President Gis-card d'Estaing to remember that as head of state, he

#### Kuwait airport on bomb alert

\* KUWAIT, July 13 (R). - Security has been tightened at Kuwait international Airport following bomb boaxes, the Qatar News Agency reported here today. The agency said restrictions impose yesterday meant that only people with flight tickets and passports would be allowed in or out of the airport. The newspaper Al Watan said authorities were told anonymously that two bombs had been planted in the departure and arrival lounges but the bomb squad found nothing.

Ethiopia rewards woman, man

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country's principal "bosses" had drawn up a plan, backed up with a 1,000 million franc (about \$200 million) fund, to keep the left alliance out of had repeatedly forecast victory over inflation, allied with eco-nomic recovery and a drop in unemployment, he said, "and yet France is one of the Western countries where the crisis is most seriously felt."

The Socialist leader warned his allies that there would be a "massive" campaign against the left and said he had "sufficiently valid" evidence that the media should not make electrically-

### Wrangling continues at Belgrade meeting

The Soviet Union yesterday warned the West against pushing too hard for specialised committees to closely scruti-nise East-West detents and human rights, delegates to the European security conference said

At the preliminary con-ference here, to prepare for a full-scale meeting in the autumn, the West and neutral countries have made clear they want committees to conduct a thorough examination of progress made since the 1975 European security summit in Helsinki.

The preparatory meeting is still wrangling over the ground rules for the main conference, such as the highly technical but key issues of agenda, pro-cedure and duration.

Soviet chief delegate Yuli Vorontsov told a closed session yesterday that the plenary meetings of the main conference should be paramount, and its work should not be downgraded in favour of committe-

es, or working groups. The plenary should not be reduced to an essentially ceremonial role, "dressed up in

queen's regalia," he said, ac-cording to delegates. Western delegates said they had not suggested that the plenary session of the 35-nation conference, including the United States and Canada, should he overshadowed by ded the committees.

"But neither the West nor the nine neutral countries want the conference to develop into a mere international talking-shop with lengthy - -and possibly filibustering -- sp-eeches from the Soviet bloc," said one senior Western diptended if agreement was not "Such a provision would

effectively prevent filbustering aimed at confusing the main issues like assessing what has actually been achieved since Helsinki, what is going on at present, and what new steps should be taken for the future," said a neutral diplo-

mat "This issue of a cut-off date, a form of guillotine for the negotiations, is beginning to obsess the East in current talks in the conference corridors, where much of the action here is taking place," he ad-

The conference is trying to reconcile rival proposals by the West, the Soviet Union, the neutrals as well as inchd-ments by several other coun-tries with special national interests.

Delegates from nearly all countries expressed concern about expected proposals from Malta soon for a greater role for the non-European Mediterranean countries at the main conference.

#### this call was part of the rea-soo for Gen. Sancar's statement. But Mr. Tunc denied to a reporter today that he had been urging any active army intervention. economic crises worsen.

their instigators. Gen. Sancar is widely regar-ded as having friendly links Turkey's next government and to resume office shortly.

world war would increase eno-Mr. Demirel was ousted as premier in last month's elections but is now trying to form new coalition following the defeat in a confidence vote of the minority government of Mr. Bulent Ecevit.

Leading businessmen and

motivated promises; "promises that he has never kept." President Giscard d'Estaine

At the same time, he said, the government had taken co-ntrol over television and radio and was distorting news cove-

rage to its own advantage. The Solalist leader cited a number of incidents which, he said, Illustrated government in-terference in the broadcasting

specialised working grou with a more limited mands BELGRADE, July 13 (R). -than demanded by the West, according to delegates. "Some headway has been made since we started on June 15. But the final bargains

have yet to be struck. Nobody is going to contemplate any big jump in the acgotistions for three or four days." commen-

ted one delegation chief. "Western delegates said the Soviet Union appeared to be increasingly worried about gaining acceptance by the ne-utrals and the West of a firm cut-off date for the main con-

ference The West and the neutrals have suggested that the full-scale meeting should complete its work within about 12 weeks, but that it should be er-

reached by this time.

Mr. Thorpe suggested such a move as a "balancing" ges-ture of support for Israel next time the European Community makes a statement calling for the creation of a Palestinian state.

Addressing the Jewish B'nai B'rith association, Mr. Thorpe urged that the British government ceased cooperating with the Arab boycott of Israel and stop giving certificates of non-

rael's refusal to negotia lle with the Palestine Liberation Organisation, recognised by all Arab states as the sole legitimate representative of the Palestin-

ian people. Mr. Thorpe, formerly leader of the Liberal Party, said the British government knew that "the West cannot allow Israel to perish and that America

will not permit it, even if Eu-rope shirks its duty. 'It is important to insist on this because if the Arabs ever came to believe that the West is losing interest in Israel the chances of a war in the Mid-

lance it with a gesture in sup-port of Israel." At their summit meeting he-

dle East swelling into a third

re two weeks ago Common Market leaders referred to the need for a Palestinian bomeland, denounced the acquisition of territory by force and cal-led on Israel to end its occ-upation of land captured in 1967.

The Liberal Party which has 13 representatives in the 635 member parliament, belps keep the minority Labour government in power by siving it voting support.

doubt whether Mr. Demirel's rightwing coalition would be able to do anymore to solve Turkey's economic and political dilemmas than it did in the two-and-a-haif years up to last month's elections. Mr. Hail Tunc, chief of Tur-

key's biggest labour confederation, Turk-Is, yesterday thr-eatened a general strike if the coalition was confirmed in po-wer, and be urged all constitutional institutions, including the armed forces, to take a stand against it. Some sources here believe

## for clubbing "rebel" to death

ADDIS ABABA, 13 July (AFP). — A woman and four men who recently killed a "rebel" by clubbing him to death were rewarded with money and arms in southeastern Shenkora and Menjar District, the official daily Addis Zemen reported here today. The woman, Feleketch Kifle, was awarded the equivalent of \$100 and the men rifles and ammunition, the newspa-per said. They were responsible for the killing recently of per said. They were responsible for the killing recently of Dejazmatch Asrat Getaneh, "ring leader of a band of counter-revolutionaries" in the area, the paper said. The rewards were handed out by a member of the ruling Provisional Military Ad-ministrative Council (Dergue). Meanwhile, in the eastern Harrar Province, a businessman who was being harassed by "inflitrators" killed 16 of the bandits single-banded before be escaped, the Ethiopian News Agency said in a report.

S.W. France assesses damage of weekend floods

AUCH, Southwest France, July 13 (AFP). — Southwestern France was yesterday starting to pick itself up after catast-rophic floods which devastated much of the region at the we-

In Auch, roads were cleared and tap water was again con-sidered drinkable. Electric lighting was restored but gas was still partially cut off. Damaged vehicles still lit-tered the region while local inhabitants were organising hunts to drive out rats which had taken refuge in the upper part of the town from the flood waters.

During the day funeral ser-vices were held for four of six trying to plece together an as-victims officially known to sessment of the damage. During the day funeral ser-

have died in the flood. Five people were still missing. Throughout the region the army was backing up local efforts to bring order back to ancs (\$3 million) worth of dathe hard-hit towns and villamage. But this figure did not ges. Auch municipal authorities were also providing free meals for people forced out of their take into account agricultural losses. A survey had shown that g homes by the rising waters and summer camp organisers offemillion francs worth of dam-age was caused to commercial

British trade with Middle East in for boost

with creation of new container service

red to take in children left and industrial concerns while homeless by the flood. Meanwhile three more peo-ple have appeared in court on charges of looting from flood-stricken shops. On Friday a looter was sentenced to three some 5 millions more were lost in damage to private houses and buildings. Altogether 638 houses were badly hit by the flood water while 14 were totally destroyed. years on a prison farm.

Repair work to the Bordeaux-Agen rall line meant trains were moving again and all except one major highway

The Lot and Garonne De-partment authorities yesterday announced e provisional asses-sment of about 15 million fr-(FNSEA) was now pressing for a special payment to the Agricultural Catastrophe Fund to help compensate farmers for their losses.

Contrary to some allegations that the land had been made vulnerable to flooding by de-forestation, specialists in the area said yesterday that no surface-sand, clay, or even a densely model of the same densely densely-wooded area could have absorbed and drained away the rainfall on the night of July 7.

It was estimated that 154 mms. fell that night, a rainfall which specialists said was "ph-enon-enal" for the region.

Mr. Vorontsov, while insisting on the dominant role of the plenary sessions, indicated the Soviet Union could accept

#### FLASH:

#### **Breakthrough** reported

BELGRADE, July 13 (R). - Senior Western diplomats said today the Soviet bloc and Western countries achieved a major breakthrough in previously deadlocked talks on East-West detente and human rights.

The delegates said they believed that an agreement on the agenda and procedures for the full scale meeting in the autum would shortly be reached.

"There were signs of a complete breakthrough today, and everything is falling together much sooner than we thought," said one senior Western delegate. Conference sources said the basic agreement, on a propo-sal by nine neutral and non-aligned countries, was reached in talks between United States chief delegate Albert Sherer and

his Soviet counterpart Yuili Vorontsov. "The neutrals' paper will be the starting point for an agreement for the autumn conference," the delegate said.



EMEVERSAL BEAUTIES -- The winners in the p ing for the title of Miss Universe are shown in their fumes in the central American city of Santo Done night. From left: Hisse Stock of Lehanon (third); S of South Mores (first); and Adriane Umplerse of cond). Finals take place Saturday night. (AP wireph

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ROYAL GUEST -- United States' First Lady Rosalynn Carter (left) greets Empress Farah of Iran as she arrives at the White House Monday for a huncheon in her honour. In the back-ground is Mr. Ardeshir Zahedi, Ambassador of Iran to Washington. Empress Farah is in the U.S. capital for a round of informal visits. (AP wirephoto)

By W. H. Owens successful P. and O. Strath-Ellerman container service, inaugurated earlier this year

LONDON (LPS). --- The flow of goods from Britain to the Arab World will increase still further as the result of new and proposed commercial - East ports. Two sister ships, links between major British Strathmuir and Strathmay, shipping and transport con- with a capacity of 310 six cerns and their Middle East pariners.

The newly formed Arabian Peninsular Container Line (APCL), which on 25 April 1877 England to the Gulf, offers more services to more ports. It is a joint operation by the United Arab Shipping Com-pany and P. and O. Strath-Ellerman Services. Recently the Lord

Recently the London based leading trading centres in the P. and O. Group has been pur-United Arab Emirates are servsuing other links with Arab ined via Dubai. The service is beterests, including road trans-O. Strath Services and the Un-ited Arab Shipping Company. Another fast expanding couport in Arabia and holiday tra-

APCL is an expansion of the

tainer service is that operated to the Red Sea ports of Jeddah and Aqaba by the Cunard Ara-(1977) to complement the ex-tensive conventional cargo ser-vices to Gulf and other Middle hian Middle East Line (CAM-EL). This was launched from Felixtowe, England, and Rot-terdam in May 1976 with one vessel, the 6,500 ton Jeddah Crown. metre containers, operate this Since then almost 3,000 conservice from Liverpool -- with tainers bave been carried to all

a third vessel from Tilbury, points in the Middle East on London -- sailing direct to Dubai and Muttrah. through bills of lading, covering areas as far apart as Baghdad, Doha and Kuwait, in addition to the two discharg-

ing ports. In the first half of this year two additional ships of the same tonnage -- Aqaba Crown and Saudi Crown -- are joining the CAMEL service, so increasing the frequency of sailings to the Gulf from Europe from 28 day intervals to 10 days. From May, container loading was extended to the port of Hamburg.

In a joint venture with Saudi Arabian interests Cunard is to develop a road haulage opera-tion in the Arabian Peninsula linked to the expanded container shipping service. An in-vestment of more than £25 million over the next four or

five years is planned. In the meantime Cumard has spent some £300,000 on dock-side equipment at Jeddah for the faster and more efficient

handling of containers. The flexibility of modern containership operations has proved particularly useful in the Gulf area and numbers of Gulf and other Middle East ports are now being develop-ed for this flor surgedue ed for this. For example, improvements at Jeddah include a new container park which will also accommodate trailers. Containerships have a very fast turnround and so have been able to claim priority betthing at many harbours.